

ADDS \$15,000,000 TO CITY SALARIES

Tentative Budget for 1920
Completed and Hearings
Begin To-morrow.

80 POINT TAX JUMP SEEN

Many Wage Increase Demands
Yet Remain to Be
Settled.

The tentative budget of the City of New York for 1920, so far as salaries and supplies go, was virtually completed last night by the Board of Estimate, sitting as the Committee on Finance and Budget. Public hearings will begin to-morrow morning in the City Hall.

Roughly it is estimated that salary increases will amount to about \$15,000,000.

It has been decided to give the rank and file in the Street Cleaning Department an average raise of \$300.

It is understood that the increases for the policemen and firemen, which at the original \$250 decided upon some time ago. Strong arguments will be made at the hearings in favor of the \$350 increase which the men want.

All other low paid employees of the city will get an increase of as near \$200 each as can be figured in general terms. There still remains the proviso that the increases are made on the recommendation of the department heads, the idea being that exceptions can be made of men who have been shirking their duty.

However, there is a wide difference of opinion among the department heads as to the application of this rule. Some have taken the attitude that no exceptions should be made. It will probably not be known unless individual complaints are made whether any officials have taken advantage of the latitude given to them to play politics in making salary increases.

On the plea that the transit situation would make necessary the additional assistance, ten new places of Assistant Corporation Counsel were added to the budget of the Law Department at a total increase in its budget of over \$50,000. Money has been provided for three assistants at \$7,500 each, three at \$6,000 each and four at \$5,500 each.

The total 1919 budget was about \$248,000,000. The 1919 tax rate was 2.36 approximately.

Jumps Tax Rate 18 Points.
An increase of \$15,000,000 in the budget for salary increases would represent between 18 and 19 points in the tax rate. The \$252,514,459 increase in the real estate assessments of the city represents an increased income of roughly \$15,000,000, or about 6 points in terms of tax rate. This as an offset to the salary increases would reduce an 18 point increase to 12.

But there are many others, as yet unknown, factors to enter into the tax rate before it is fixed next March, some of which will tend to increase and others to decrease the tax rate.

It is said to be in the minds of Mayor Hylan and Controller Craig that they will be able to force the transit lines to subordinate to the city's bonds their so-called preferential out of the earnings of the rapid transit systems. If they can do this, it is asserted, it will be possible thus to pay the interest on \$100,000,000, which otherwise would have to go into the debt service.

If the hopes of the Mayor and Controller come true, and if they are able to get the Legislature to suspend the operation of the pay as you go system for another year, it is said they have expressed the opinion to their friends that they may be able to keep the 1920 tax rate down to this year's figure, otherwise it would go up to 20 points.

There are others who do not see much less than a 40 point increase. This is all speculation, however, because of unknown factors. One of the greatest of these is the "general fund" for the reduction of taxation, which is not made up until February. The Citizens Union accused the administration this year of holding down the tax rate by including improper items in the general fund.

Another varying factor is the amount that will be put in the budget this year to make up in the income tax in the past years. Both this item and the amount of the debt service probably will not be determined by the Finance Department much before the time when it is necessary to finally pass the budget, October 30.

Debt Service Increase.
It was stated unofficially yesterday that if the railroads do not subordinate their preferential the debt service (interest on the city's outstanding bonds) may amount to \$13,000,000.

The scale on which it was decided to make increase, outside of the Fire, Police and Street Cleaning departments, is as follows:

For all employees getting under \$1,200 30%
For employees now getting between \$1,200 and \$1,500 25%
For employees now getting between \$1,500 and \$2,000 20%
Above \$2,000 each increase is considered on the individual merits of the man.

The \$300 increase for the Street Cleaning Department raises the sweepers, the drivers and the trashmen from an average of about \$1,100 to an average of about \$1,400 a year. In the case of firemen and stable chiefs the classes have been abolished and their pay will be equalized on a basis of about \$1,700 a year.

It was stated last night that although most of the street cleaners were satisfied with the \$300 increase, the representatives of one small group which is unionized threatened a strike unless they got a \$350 increase.

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Senator Repudiates Remark
Attributed to Him.

A letter was made public in Yonkers yesterday from United States Senator William M. Calder in which he accused Judge William H. Wadhams of the Court of General Sessions of deliberately misquoting him in a speech there Tuesday night. Judge Wadhams spoke at a meeting at which the immediate ratification of the peace treaty was demanded. Senator Calder said:

"My attention has just been called to a news item in a New York newspaper of October 1, 1919, with reference to a meeting in Yonkers held under the auspices of the League to Enforce Peace. This article stated that in the course of a discussion with Mr. Wadhams (Francis Winslow, former District Attorney of Westchester county) in Yonkers, Judge Wadhams said he had recently sat next to Senator Calder at a dinner and that after Calder made a speech giving the usual anti-league arguments, the man on the other side said: 'Why did you talk such rot as that?' To this Calder replied, 'You have got to say something when you make a speech.'"

"I wish to state emphatically that the incident referred to did not occur. The quotation indicated was not asked me and I have positively never made the statement that Judge Wadhams is said to have quoted. I am surprised and grieved to learn that he has seen fit to make the statement when he must have known it to be a distinct untruth."

Sensor Calder said in his letter that in his opinion, the reservations to the peace treaty made by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations were essential to protect America's interests and that he would vote to incorporate them in the ratification.

"It is better to be safe now than sorry in the future," Senator Calder wrote.

T. F. SMITH URGED FOR BOROUGH HEAD

Tammany Secretary May Accept Democratic Call.

Representative Thomas F. Smith, secretary of Tammany Hall, who has been asked to accept the Democratic nomination for President of the Borough of Manhattan, disappeared yesterday from town. He was believed to have gone down to Good Ground to talk the situation over with Charles Francis Murphy. The nomination probably will be announced to-morrow.

Friends last night said they were inclined to believe that Mr. Smith might accept the nomination. It is known he feels there are many drawbacks as well as advantages to his work in Washington, and that for some reasons he would be willing to retire from there for a time at least.

While the term of Mr. Smith, if elected Borough President, would have only two years to run, Tammany is rather pessimistic about its chances to win in 1921. Mr. Smith could always go back to Washington.

If Mr. Smith decides not to take the nomination it is believed it will go to Joseph Haag, who has been a loyal member of the organization for many years.

William H. Edwards (Big Bill), Internal Revenue Collector, is being boomed for the nomination by his friends. John F. Curry, collector of the Seventh district, has the backing of some of his associates on the executive committee. He is now superintendent of records in the Surrogate's Court.

John P. Leo, chairman of the Board of Standards and Appeals, has a few friends who are whispering his name about in the vicinity of the seats of the mighty.

FIGHTS HASKELL AND GRIFFIN.

Dr. Boole, W. C. T. U. Leader, Opposes Their Candidacies.

Dr. Ella A. Boole, State president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, issued a statement yesterday opposing the candidacies of Reuben L. Haskell, Republican, and Daniel J. Griffin, Democrat, for the office of County Judge of Kings county. She recommended the election of Judge Norman S. Dike, Republican, and Judge Howard P. Nash, Democrat, the present incumbents, on the ground that the others were opposed to prohibition.

"Mr. Haskell has announced that a vote for him is a vote in opposition to the prohibition amendment," Dr. Boole said. "Mr. Haskell also has made the ridiculous charge that, having secured the passage of the Federal prohibition amendment, the Women's Christian Temperance Union is endeavoring to enact further amendments prohibiting the sale and manufacture of tobacco, tea and coffee in this country."

"These charges are absolutely false and without foundation," she asserted. "We do not receive the attention of thinking citizens."

COOLIDGE'S VOTE 129,145.

Bay State G. O. P. Nominee Runs Ahead of Ticket.

BOSTON, Oct. 4.—Official figures on the results of the State primaries last week as announced by the Governor and Council to-day were virtually the same as those of press returns for the contests in which the vote was tabulated. The total vote of Gov. Coolidge, which was not reported in the early returns because he was unopposed for renomination on the Republican ticket, was 129,145. He ran ahead of his ticket by several thousand votes.

The aggregate of votes for the four candidates for the Democratic nomination for Governor was 75,257. Richard H. Long of Framingham, the successful candidate, polled 53,970; Eugene N. Fox, 11,118; George F. Monahan, 9,771, and Frederick S. Delrick, 4,428.

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Jersey Republican Victory Is
Seen in Gubernatorial
Primary Returns.

The official returns of the primary elections September 23 in New Jersey as compiled in the office of Thomas F. Martin, Secretary of State, and announced yesterday, show that Newton A. K. Bugbee, State Comptroller, was nominated by the Republicans for Governor by a plurality of 6,369 over William N. Runyon, acting Governor.

Edward I. Edwards, State Senator of Hudson county, won the Democratic gubernatorial nomination by a plurality of 12,649 over James R. Nugent, leader of the Essex county Democratic organization.

The Republican count resulted as follows:
Bugbee, 44,245; Runyon, 37,876; Thomas L. Raymond, 22,872; Warren C. King, 7,276.

The count in the Democratic contest was: Edwards, 58,261; Nugent, 45,612; Frank M. McDermitt, 5,695.

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SOLDIERS URGED TO GET LOST BAGGAGE

K. of C. Aiding U. S. in Restoring Some 500,000 Pieces.

A general invitation was extended yesterday by the Knights of Columbus to all former service men and officers of the A. E. F. to claim any barrack bags, trunks, bedding rolls, suit cases and other nondescript pieces which they may have "lost" during the great homecoming of the 2,000,000 Yanks from France. Uncle Sam is at present the custodian of something like a half million pieces of unclaimed personal baggage containing "beaucoup" souvenirs—helmets, German army sabres, cartridge belts, shells, love letters, pictures of the home folks and France and thousands of other mysterious gifts and souvenirs.

What the Government is now trying to accomplish is the safe delivery to each and every man his "lost" baggage which, in many cases, contains some prized souvenir of the war. Most of the baggage has been carefully sorted out under the direction of Col. R. H. Pickering and is operating with Col. Pickering and hope to land some several hundred thousand pieces of baggage to their proper owners within the next month. There are several pyramids now located on the Hoboken pier of the Government and elsewhere.

In order to get the "lost" barrack bag or trunk, the owners must comply with the following directions: "Send all the markings and writing on the baggage, the name of the regiment to which attached and the last place where the baggage was seen either in this country or France. Inclose the blue stub detached from the declaration papers and write to the Knights of Columbus, Lost Baggage Department, 461 Fourth avenue, New York city." The "lost" piece will be forwarded promptly, no matter where the owner may reside.

GERMANS TO QUIT BALTIC.

Ask Allied Commission to See Conditions in Province.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 4.—The German Government has replied to the note of the Supreme Council demanding the immediate evacuation of the German troops in the Baltic provinces. The Germans declare they firmly are determined to do everything in their power to fulfill the obligations in the matter of evacuation, but protest strongly against the threat of a renewed blockade, pointing out the serious consequences to the population that would ensue.

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PACKER APPEALS STORAGE SEIZURE

Ohio Company Asks Review
by U. S. Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—First proceedings growing out of the campaign to combat the high cost of living to reach the Supreme Court were filed to-day. The Columbus Packing Company asked the court to review Ohio Supreme Court decree upholding the authority of officials in that State to seize and sell at public auction 125,000 pounds of pork held in storage by the company.

Amendments to the food control act extending the law to clothing and providing penalties for hoarding and profiteering were sent back to conference to-day by the House after Speaker Gillett had ruled that the Senate rider concerning fair rentals in the District of Columbia was not in order.

The amendments, excepting the rent section, were urged by President Wilson as a part of the Government's campaign on the high cost of living, and the conference report on them was approved yesterday by the Senate.

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WARNS WOMANHOOD OF BOLSHEVIK PERIL

Mrs. Pankhurst Appeals to
Suffragists to Fight for
Preservation of Liberty.

Despite the protests of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, two "reds" who interrupted her attack upon Bolshevism last night were bounced swiftly out of Cooper Union Auditorium and into the adjoining street by large and powerful policemen. The British suffragist leader was delivering to an audience gathered under the auspices of the American Defence Society the first address that she has given in this country since the termination of the war. It was also the first of a series of scheduled talks which she plans to give on the "red" menace in the course of a tour of this country and Canada. It was an appeal to the women of America to take an active hand in the preservation of the national ideals from Bolshevism influences, and to remember

that with their newly won rights go great responsibilities and duties.

Throughout her discourse, in which Bolshevism was roundly scored, there were, up to a certain juncture of the proceedings, jeers and side remarks from two unwholesome individuals seated in the centre of the house.

The disturbance created by the pair was annoying to persons around them and occasionally a voice could be heard protesting against it. Several times women seated near the disturbers told them to be quiet or get out in tones that could be heard throughout the auditorium.

Outside of this there was nothing to mar the proceedings, and the woman orator was cheered again and again as she besought her audience to put down Bolshevism in every form.

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